

73rd Commencement

Baccalaureate Service

FOUNDER'S MEMORIAL AMPHITORIUM Sunday, April 30, 2000

PRELUDE: Praeludium in G Minor, BuxWV 149 Dietrich Buxtehude
Partita on "St. Anne" Paul Manz
Dr. Ed Dunbar, organist

HYMN: Arise, My Soul, Arise text, Charles Wesley
music, Lewis Edson

(The congregation will stand.)

1

Arise, my soul, arise; Shake off thy guilty fears; The bleeding Sacrifice In my behalf appears: Before the throne my Surety stands, Before the throne my Surety stands, My name is written on His hands.

2

He ever lives above,
For me to intercede;
His all-redeeming love,
His precious blood to plead;
His blood atoned for all our race,
His blood atoned for all our race,
And sprinkles now the throne of grace.

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Five bleeding wounds He bears, Received on Calvary, They pour effectual prayers, They strongly plead for me: "Forgive him, O forgive," they cry, "Forgive him, O forgive," they cry, "Nor let that ransomed sinner die!"

4

The Father hears Him pray, His dear anointed One; He cannot turn away The presence of His Son; His Spirit answers to the blood, His Spirit answers to the blood, And tells me I am born of God.

5

Now I am reconciled; God's pard'ning voice I hear, He owns me for His child, I can no longer fear; With confidence I now draw nigh, With confidence I now draw nigh, And. "Father, Abba, Father," cry.

UNIVERSITY CREED:

I believe in the inspiration of the Bible, both the Old and the New Testaments; the creation of man by the direct act of God; the incarnation and virgin birth of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ; His identification as the Son of God; His vicarious atonement for the sins of mankind by the shedding of His blood on the cross; the resurrection of His body from the tomb; His power to save men from sin; the new birth through the regeneration by the Holy Spirit; and the gift of eternal life by the grace of God.

DOXOLOGY:

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!

Amen.

INVOCATION: Dr. Thurman Wisdom, Dean

School of Religion

ANTHEM: Praise to the Lord, the Almighty text, Joachim Neander arr. Mark Hayes

University Chorale
Dr. Warren Cook, director
Instrumental preparation by Mr. Paul Jantz and Mr. Alan Lohr

OFFERTORY: The God of Abraham Praise arr. Michael Burkhardt

SCRIPTURE LESSON: Dr. Edward Panosian, Chairman Emeritus
Division of Social Science

HYMN: The Sands of Time Are Sinking text, Anne Ross Cousin music, Chrétien Urhan

(The congregation will stand.)

1

The sands of time are sinking,
The dawn of heaven breaks;
The summer morn I've sighed for,
The fair, sweet morn, awakes;
Dark dark hath been the midnight,
But dayspring is at hand,
And glory, glory dwelleth
In Immanuel's land.

2

O Christ, He is the fountain, The deep, sweet well of love! The streams on earth I've tasted More deep I'll drink above: There to an ocean fullness His mercy doth expand, And glory, glory dwelleth In Immanuel's land. 3

With mercy and with judgment My web of time He wove, And aye the dews of sorrow Were lustered by his love. I'll bless the hand that guided, I'll bless the heart that planned, When throned where glory dwelleth In Immanuel's land.

4

The bride eyes not her garment, But her dear Bridegroom's face; I will not gaze at glory, But on my King of grace. Not at the crown He giveth, But on His pierced hand, The lamb is all the glory Of Immanuel's land.

Mrs. Pam Dunbar, soloist

SERMON: Dr. Arno Q. Weniger, M.Div., D.Div., L.L.D.

(The congregation will stand.)

1

Guide me, O Thou great Jehovah, Pilgrim through this barren land; I am weak, but Thou art mighty; Hold me with Thy powerful hand; Bread of heaven, Bread of heaven, Feed me till I want no more Feed me till I want no more.

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Open now the crystal fountain, Whence the healing stream doth flow; Let the fire and cloudy pillar Lead me all my journey through; Strong Deliverer, strong Deliverer, Be Thou still my strength and shield, Be Thou still my strength and shield.

3

When I tread the verge of Jordan, Bid my anxious fears subside; Death of death, and hell's destruction, Land me safe on Canaan's side; Songs of praises, songs of praises I will ever give to Thee. I will ever give to Thee.

BENEDICTION: Dr. Bob Wood, Executive Vice President

We wish to remind our guests that once the service has begun, no one will be admitted or readmitted.

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